

TENNESSEE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Professional Assessments For Tennessee Educators

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State law¹ and Board rules² require individuals applying for initial teacher licensure in Tennessee to submit passing scores on a test that measures professional knowledge and is correlated to Tennessee's Professional Education Standards. This requirement does not apply to school counselors, school psychologists, school social workers, or speech/language teachers.

Applicants for licensure in Tennessee shall also submit passing scores on the content specialty area test(s) for all endorsements to be listed on the licenses.

The examinations and corresponding required scores on the Praxis Series are as follows:

TESTS REQUIRED FOR ALL TENNESSEE LICENSURE CANDIDATES

(Effective September 1, 2011)

Every Initial License Applicant is Required to Take One of the PLT Exams*****

Praxis Test Code/Title *	Passing Score
0621 Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) Early Childhood	#155
<u>OR</u>	
0622 Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) K-6	# 158
<u>OR</u>	
0623 Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) 5-9	# 158
<u>OR</u>	
0624 Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) 7-12	# 155

¹ T.C.A. §§ 49-1-302 and 49-5-5605.

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SPECIALTY AREA TESTS

Endorsement Area		Test Code	Test Title	Passing Score
**	Administrator PreK-12	1011	# School Leader Licensure Assessment	160
	442 Instructional Leader – 480 Beginning or 481 Beginning Administrator A, or Beginning Administrator B			
	448 Agriculture Education 7-12	700	Agriculture	530
	427 Visual Arts K-12	0135	Art: Content and Analysis	157
***	415 Biology 7-12	0235	Biology: Content Knowledge	148
		0233	<u>Choice of:</u> Biology: Content Essays	146
		0433	<u>OR</u> General Science: Content Essays	130
	474 Business Education 7-12	0101	Business Education: Content Knowledge	154
***	416 Chemistry 7-12	0245	Chemistry: Content Knowledge	152
		0431	General Science: Cont. Know., Part 1	145
	467 Early Child Ed PreK-3	0021	# Education of Young Children	155
		0014	# Elementary Education: Content	140
		0201	# Knowledge	151
			Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	
	468 Early Dev. & Learning PreK-K (Dual Endorsement)	0021	# Education of Young Children	155
		0014	# Elementary Education: Content	140
		0690	Knowledge Spec. Educ.: Preschool/ECE	560
***	418 Earth Science 7-12	0571	Earth & Space Science: Cont.	146
		0431	Knowledge Gen. Science: Cont. Know., Part 1	145
	424 Economics 7-12	0910	Economics	530
	499 Elementary Education K-6	0011	# Elementary Educ.: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment	159
		0201	# Reading Across Curriculum:	
		0014	# Elementary	151
			Elementary Educ.: Content Knowledge	140

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	407	English 7-12	0041 0043	# #	English Lang., Lit., Comp.: Content Knowledge English Lang., Lit., Comp.: Pedagogy	157 145
	490	English as a 2 nd Language PreK-12	0361		English to Speakers of Other Languages	143
	450	Family & Consumer Sciences 5-12	0121		Family & Consumer Sciences	157
	411 491	French 7-12, or French PreK-12	5174	#	French: World Language (Computer delivered)	156
	422	Geography 7-12	0921		Geography	149
	412 492	German 7-12, or German PreK-12	5183	#	German: World Language (Computer delivered)	157
	466	Gifted Education PreK-12	0357		Gifted Education	146
	423	Government 7-12	0930		Government/Political Science	600
	419	Health & Wellness K-12	0550		Health Education	570
	421	History 7-12	0941		World and U.S. History: Content Knowledge	136
	410 493	Latin 7-12, or Latin PreK-12	0600		Latin	540
	473	Library Information Specialist PreK12	0311		Library Media Specialist	146
	472	Marketing Education 7-12	0561		Marketing Education	160
	413	Mathematics 7-12	0061 0065	#	Mathematics: Content Knowledge Mathematics: Pedagogy	136 125
	440	Middle Grades Education 4-8	0146 0201	# #	Middle School: Content Knowledge Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	150 151
	428 429	Music (Vocal/Gen.) K-12, or Music (Instrumental/Gen) K-12	0111 0113		Music: Concepts and Processes Music: Content Knowledge	145 150
	420	Physical Education K-12	0095		P.E.: Content and Design	164
***	417	Physics 7-12	0265 0262 0433		Physics: Content Knowledge <u>Choice of:</u> Physics: Content Essays <u>OR</u> General Science: Content Essays	144 135 130
	426	Psychology 9-12	0390		Psychology	560
**	486	Reading Specialist PreK-12	0300		Reading Specialist	510
*	487	School Counselor PreK-12	0420		School Guidance And Counseling	580
*	489	School Psychologist PreK-12	0401		School Psychologist	154
	425	Sociology 9-12	0950		Sociology	540
****	409 495	Spanish 7-12, or Spanish PreK-12	5195	#	Spanish: World Language (Computer delivered)	163
****	461	SPED-Comprehensive K-12	0545	#	Spec. Educ.: Core Knowledge & Severe	153

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			0201	#	to Profound Applications Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	151
****	459	SPED-Preschool ECE PreK-3	0354 0690 0201	# #	Spec. Educ.: Core Knowledge & Applications Spec. Educ.: Preschool/Early Childhood Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	145 560 151
****	463	SPED- Hearing PreK-12	0354 0271 0201	# #	Spec. Educ.: Core Knowledge & Applications Ed. Of Deaf & Hard of Hearing Students Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	145 163 151
****	460	SPED- Modified K-12	0543 0201	# #	Spec. Educ.: Core Knowledge & Mild to Moderate Applications Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	153 151
*	498	SPED-Spch/ Lang Pathologist PreK-12	0330		Speech/Language Pathology	600
****	462	SPED-Vision PreK-12	0354 0281 0201	# #	Spec. Educ.: Core Knowledge & Applications Spec. Educ.: Teaching Students with Visual Impairments Reading Across Curriculum: Elementary	145 161 151
	408	Speech Communication 7-12	0221		Speech Communications	144
	477	Technology Engineering Education 5-12	0051		Technology Education	156
	405	Theatre K-12	0640		Theatre	610

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Footnotes to previous listings:

Note: Computer-Delivered Tests (either currently available as computer-delivered OR will be available as computer-delivered during 2011-2012 academic year.

* Note: Candidates seeking licensure in early childhood education PreK-3 or preschool/early childhood special education PreK-3, will take the Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) Early Childhood or PLT K-6. Candidates seeking licensure in elementary education K-6 will take PLT K-6. Candidates seeking licensure in middle grades 4-8 will take PLT 5-9. Candidates seeking licensure in secondary education areas will take PLT 7-12. Candidates seeking licensure in K-12, or PreK-12 areas may choose from PLT Early Childhood, PLT K-6, PLT 5-9, or PLT 7-12.

Candidates for licensure as School Counselor, School Psychologist, and Speech/Language Pathologist are required to take only the content knowledge exam for the endorsement.

** Note: Candidates for the Beginning Administrator endorsements (A or B) must hold a valid Tennessee Teacher License or pass one of the PLT tests (these endorsements are available only to in-state graduates)

Candidates for the Instructional Leader - Beginning endorsement must hold a valid Tennessee Teacher License and have 3 years successful education work experience.

Candidates for the Reading Specialist endorsement must hold a valid Tennessee Teacher License and have 3 years successful teaching experience.

*** Note: Candidates in biology and physics may choose either the general science content essay or the subject area (biology or physics) content essays. Candidates who already hold a license in science seeking an additional endorsement in biology, chemistry, earth science, or physics will be required to take only the content knowledge exam for endorsement in the additional science area.

**** Note: Special Education: Core Knowledge and Applications is required for the following special education area: hearing, vision, and preschool/early childhood. Reading Across the Curriculum: Elementary, is required for the following special education areas: modified program, comprehensive program, hearing, vision and preschool/early childhood.

***** Note: For the 2011-12 and 2012-13 school years, those candidates for apprentice licensure who complete all licensure program or degree requirements of an accredited state approved teacher preparation institution or program may, as part

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of their training program, complete a performance assessment that 1) is aligned to the Tennessee Professional Education Licensure Standards, and 2) has documented reliability and validity, in order to satisfy the professional education assessment requirements required by statute and SBE rule.



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